

# THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



## ROBERT HOGE APPOINTED CURATOR OF U.S. COINS AND CURRENCY

Robert Hoge has joined the Society as the first Curator of U.S. Coins and Currency, a new endowed position. Mr. Hoge, formerly curator of the American Numismatic Association for twenty years, took up his new position in September.

His broad knowledge of numismatics will be a particular benefit to the ANS in advancing the study and appreciation of our large and diverse collection, particularly the significant collection of U.S. coins and currency.

Over the last twenty years, he has published over two hundred articles and numerous publications based on his extensive research on a wide variety of subjects in numismatics. While much of his work concentrates on U.S. numismatics, he has also written on Chinese, medieval, Islamic and various other world coins. Mr. Hoge is a Fellow of the RNS and the ANS, a member of ICOMON and numerous other organizations.

President Donald Partrick, a member of the Search Committee, commented on the appointment: We have been looking for the right person in this key position for over a year. Bob Hoge is a superb addition to our staff. The U.S. collectors and researchers will now have a well-known numismatist at the ANS who will help them with their questions and bring insight and expertise to their field. Ute Wartenberg was particularly interested in the breadth of his knowledge and his experience mounting a variety of exhibitions. His extensive experience at the ANA, a sister organization, will be invaluable at our new facility where we will be paying particular attention to education and outreach.

As for Bob Hoge, Moving to New York has been a challenge, but not daunting. I am pleased and honored to be able to serve such a distinguished organization as the ANS.



Robert Hoge

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## PETER VAN ALFEN NAMED MARGARET THOMPSON ASSISTANT CURATOR OF GREEK COINS

Peter van Alfen, a Ph.D. student of Classical Philology at the University of Texas in Austin, and a graduate of the ANS Summer Seminar in Numismatics (1998), has been appointed Margaret Thompson Assistant Curator of Greek Coins. The appointment was announced by Prof. Thomas Martin, Chairman of the ANS search committee. Mr. van Alfen has an M.A. in Anthropology (Nautical Archaeology) from Texas A&M University. His thesis, A Metrological

Study of Amphoras from the 7th c. AD Yassi Ada Shipwreck, was published in the *Journal of Roman Archaeology* in 1996. He earned a BA in Classics, graduating with honors from The University of Utah. Mr. van Alfen, former editor and project director of *Studies in Mycaean Inscription and Dialect (SMID)*, assisted in studies of 7th and 11th c. AD amphoras and in the design and construction of a full-scale replica of the 7th c. AD Yassi Ada ship for the Bodrum Museum of

Underwater Archaeology in Turkey. His extensive archaeological experience also includes work in Albania and Egypt. He worked most recently on the Tektas Burnu excavation, a 5th c. BC shipwreck, at a depth of 37-42m near Izmir, Turkey.

Mr. van Alfen has also done archaeological survey work in Idaho, Utah, Wyoming and Nevada and worked as an assistant conservator of iron, organic and ceramic artifacts from INA's Port Royal Excavation at the Conservation Research

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## The American Numismatic Society and The Federal Reserve Bank of New York Announce the Postponement of Drachmas, Doubloons and Dollars: The History of Money

The events that took place on September 11 have taken a staggering toll on all peace-loving individuals across the globe. Here in New York City, we are particularly affected as we strive to put back together the institutions that make New York a center of immeasurable cultural wealth. Although clean-up efforts in lower Manhattan are to be commended, access to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York is still limited. The American Numismatic Society and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York have postponed the October 18 opening of Drachmas, Doubloons and Dollars:

The History of Money until access to the downtown area is fully reestablished. The exhibit has tentatively been rescheduled to open in January.

The exhibition will be the first time that the American Numismatic Society's most valuable coins and medals have been brought together for the public to view. More than six hundred examples of the Society's coins, bills and other forms of currency used worldwide and spanning three millennia of history will be on display. The presentation highlights how money is more than just a tool for purchasing goods and repaying debts. In addition to revealing social, political, and economic aspects of society, money through the imagery and motifs it bears illustrates and shapes how a nation views itself. Nowhere can this be seen more clearly than in the representations of American life, liberty and government on U.S. money as a burgeoning America came into her own. Included in

the exhibition will be a substantial amount of historical American numismatic objects, presented in a way that sheds light on the developing imagery of What is America?

The earliest American coins and bills show that, in its infancy, American money design sometimes copied that of European and established South American mints. The ANS will highlight the work of renowned New York goldsmith

Ephraim Brasher who, in about 1786, produced one of his famous doubloons based on a popular style from Lima, Peru. Also on display will be a 1787 copper cent issued by New York State that bears a portrait modeled after those of England's King George III. However, the exhibition also includes some innovative and uniquely American early designs. Benjamin Franklin's motif of thirteen chain links, one for each of the Thirteen Colonies, appears on the continental currency of 1776. A much bolder image, the personification of America trampling a crown, is found on a 1785 Confederation copper.

No presentation of American imagery is complete without the obvious inclusion of Liberty. The exhibition will show how our modern image of Liberty grew out of many characters: the ancient Greco-Roman goddesses Nike and Roma, England's Britannia, and France's Marianne. But American Liberty soon developed a distinct personality all her own, and one that evolved to fit the social and political concerns of the times. Incorporating aspects of the indigenous Native American population, she

wears a feathered headdress on gold coins from the mid 1800s. Later, as the United States enters World War I, Liberty is depicted in chain mail, carrying a shield on a 1917 quarter.



Also on display will be peace medals commissioned by George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Abraham Lincoln for presentation to Native American chiefs. The medals clearly illustrate the ideal of concord between

indigenous and new populations in a peaceful bucolic setting—an idyllic image not always in keeping with the harsh realities of the time.

The exhibition will also show how portraiture or the lack of it on American money illuminates the view of the founding fathers and subsequent administrations toward the new nation.

Come see for yourself what the history of American money, as well as the history of money from cultures worldwide, reveals about the societies that created it. The exhibition will be located at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, a landmark building constructed in 1924. The Fed's 5,000-square-foot gallery space was formerly used for banking transactions, and boasts the original iron teller cages, chandeliers and writing tables by renowned metal artist Samuel Yellin.

The rescheduled opening date will be announced as soon as it is confirmed. Exhibit hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 33 Liberty Street (wheelchair access provided from the Maiden Lane entrance). Admission is free. **The ANS still needs volunteers to act as docents (tour guides, sources of information, numismatic or museum enthusiasts to inspire visitors) when the exhibit opens. Please contact Jennifer Mazurkie at 212-234-3130 ext. 217 or mazurkie@amnumsoc.org for more information.**

- 1) 1907 gold 10 dollar eagle designed by Augustus Saint-Gaudens.
- 2) 1793 Washington Peace medal.
- 3) 1896 dollar silver certificate from the Educational Series.





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Laboratory at Texas A&M. Mr. van Alfen is the recipient of a Kress Joint Athens-Jerusalem Fellowship, an Institute for Aegean Prehistory Grant, an American Numismatic Society Fellowship, a Utah State Historical Society Editor's Choice Award, as well as various teaching and academic awards from the University of Texas and Texas A&M. His languages of study include Arabic, Aramaic, French, German, Classical and Modern Greek, Biblical Hebrew, Latin, Linear-B, Sanskrit, and Spanish. He is certified as a scientific diver by Texas A&M (160 ft.) and an NAUI advanced diver and has studied ship reconstruction and drafting, artifact conservation and illustration, photography, mechanical and carpentry work, and boat building.

## ANS DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH OXBOW BOOKS

In October, Oxbow Books [www.oxbowbooks.com], will be the exclusive worldwide distributor of ANS publications through Oxbow's offices in Connecticut (The David Brown Book Company) and Oxford, England. Oxbow will promote and sell the books, and supply up-to-date information to R.R. Bowker, BookData, Books-in-Print and other producers of bibliographic databases. Oxbow will also produce and distribute an annual ANS catalogue in consultation with the ANS executive director.

Oxbow Books was founded in 1983 by David Brown. For twenty years, he worked as a curator of Anglo-Saxon antiquities at the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford. As a professional archaeologist, he always had difficulty obtaining books on the ancient and medieval world, especially from foreign and specialist publishers. He therefore developed Oxbow to be a single source of supply for books on prehistory, classical and medieval studies. Since 1983, the company has increased in size.

In 1990, Mr. Brown set up a company in America, first in Bloomington (IN), then in 1995 moving to Oakville (CT) near New Haven. The U.S. company works under the name The David Brown Book Company. Together the two offices, in Oxford and Oakville, now employ over twenty-five

## ANS EMPLOYEE WITNESSES WORLD TRADE CENTER ATTACK

On the morning of September 11th, Richard Dodd, the ANS Business Manager, was scheduled to meet two ANS security employees, Garfield Miller and Russell Dudley, at the ANS building on William Street to perform some minor maintenance required by the local U.S. Post Office and to inventory property left in the basement of the building by previous owners and tenants.

I arrived at the Fulton Street subway stop a few minutes before 9:00 a.m. As I climbed the subway stairs at Broadway and Fulton Street, three blocks from the World Trade Center, I saw torrents of papers floating in the clear sky. I thought someone was dropping leaflets from airplanes for the mayoral primary. As I approached the top of the stairway exit, I saw that the north tower of the Trade Center was ablaze. Bright orange flames and black smoke were billowing upwards. Debris was falling and papers spiraling around. I knew people were suffering, trying to escape. It was horrifying. People on the street were screaming and began running down Fulton Street away from the towers—sort of a herd mentality, I guess, and I joined in. I ran down Fulton Street towards William Street when the second airplane struck the South tower. There was an enormous explosion that rattled and shook buildings and people began to scream and cry. A high school boy running beside me had a radio. He said two airplanes had attacked the World Trade Center, that we should run for our lives. It was then that he realized it was a terrorist attack.

I ran to the William Street building and rang the doorbell, but no one answered. I borrowed a cell phone and tried calling the building, but the cell phone was inoperative. I then tried to use a public phone to call Garfield and Russell who, I assumed, were in the William Street building.

Garfield and Russell had heard the first plane attack, witnessed people jumping from the North Tower, and ran from the William Street building when the second plane hit the South Tower.

I headed north through Chinatown. I remember, despite the chaos, wanting a cup of coffee. I tried in several places but all they had was tea. I managed to find a public phone that worked, called the ANS office at Broadway and 155th Street and told Jennifer Mazurkie, Ute's assistant, to notify the staff to go home, have the security staff lock the building down, and make sure the alarms were armed.

It appears that the explosions did not noticeably damage the exterior of the William Street building. Although the ANS and its engineer have not yet fully assessed the building, we have every reason to believe that the property, which is in the process of interior renovations, remains in good order.

people and the company has an annual turnover of over \$2.5 million. Oxbow also publishes books, under its own imprint and for other institutions, and acts as a distributor and agent for a number of other publishers and organizations specializing in the ancient world, including the American School of Classical Studies, the American

Schools of Oriental Research and the Archaeological Institute of America—and now, of course, the American Numismatic Society. The company is still entirely owned by Mr. Brown and his wife Helen, who recently retired from curating the Islamic coin collection at the Ashmolean.



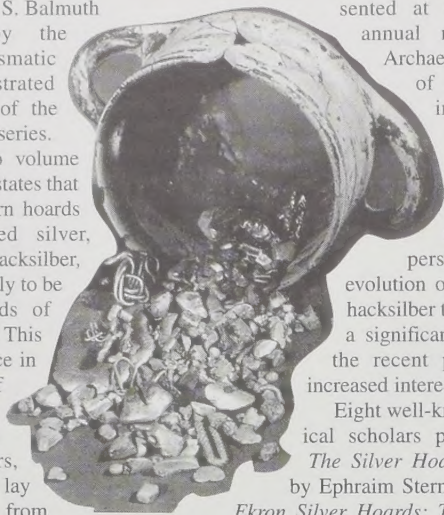
## Hacksilber to Coinage: New Insights into the Monetary History of the New East and Greece

Edited by Miriam S. Balmuth and published by the American Numismatic Society, this illustrated publication is part of the Numismatic Studies series.

In her preface to volume 24, Miriam Balmuth states that

Ancient Near Eastern hoards of randomly shaped silver, generically called hacksilber, have come increasingly to be interpreted as hoards of pre-coinage currency. This archeological evidence in the form of hoards of cut-up and fragmentary silver, often found in containers, such as linen bags or lay pots, is now known from over fifty findspots in the Near East. It has improved understanding of the use of silver for money, and ultimately, the appearance of coin metal pre-weighed and stamped with a mark of identification or guarantee.

This collection of eight papers, pre-



sented at the ninety-ninth annual meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, exam-

ines information gained from this evidence and presents fascinating insights from a variety of perspectives on the evolution of silver use from hacksilber to coinage, adding a significant contribution to the recent publications and increased interest in this subject.

Eight well-known archaeological scholars presented papers: *The Silver Hoard from Tel Dor* by Ephraim Stern; *The Tel Migne-Ekron Silver Hoards: The Assyrian and Phoenician Connections* by Seymour Gitin and Amir Golani; *The Silver Trail: Response to the Papers of Ephraim Stern and Seymour Gitin* by William G. Dever; *The Impact of the Natural Sciences on Studies of Hacksilber and Early Silber Coinage* by Zofia Anna Stos-Gale;

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Photo: Plate 5.1 gold hoard from Eretria (photo courtesy of P. Themelis)

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## Zecca: The Mint of Venice in the Middle Ages

This new book by former curator Alan M. Stahl examines the workings of a pre-modern mint using extensive research on original documents, as well as a detailed study of the coins themselves.

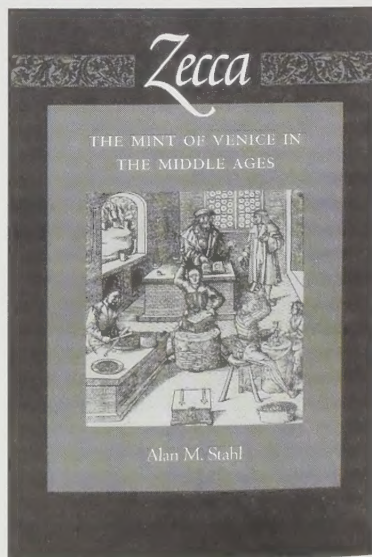
Published by Johns Hopkins University Press in association with the American Numismatic Society, this book is now available to ANS members.

Divided into three sections, the book traces the coinage of Venice from its origins in the ninth century as a minor, and unofficial, regional coinage to its position at the dawn of the Renaissance as the dominant currency of the Mediterranean trade. The mint's role in Venetian trade and the emergence of a bureaucratized government are explored in the second section, *The Mint in the Life of Medieval*

Venice. The third section examines the physical operations that transformed raw bullion into coins. Mr. Stahl also identifies the personnel of the mint, situating the holders of each position in the context of their social and professional backgrounds.

This publication is illustrated with photographs of coinage from the world's major collections. Priced at \$68, ANS members can purchase this book at a thirty percent discount.

Alan M. Stahl served for twenty years as the curator of medieval coins for the American Numismatic Society and is currently teaching at Rice University in Texas. His previous books include *The Merovingian Coinage of the Region of the Metz* and *The Venetian Tornese: A Medieval Colonial Coinage*.





## PAMALA PLUMMER-WRIGHT APPOINTED DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Pamala Plummer-Wright, appointed ANS Director of Development and Public Programs, began her responsibilities in September. She is currently organizing a series of events to coordinate with the New York International Numismatic Convention and the celebration of the opening of the ANS exhibition at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. She will be overseeing the Capital Campaign, and is planning events in Los Angeles and San Francisco to reach out to ANS supporters on the West Coast.

For nearly ten years, Ms. Wright served as the Executive Director of the Manhattan Guild, a prominent international non-profit organization established in 1949 devoted to serving the needs of hospitalized children throughout the world. She had sole responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the organization including all aspects of development and fundraising. Her responsibilities included planning and execution of major fundraising events, corporate donor programs, direct mail, annual appeals, and major individual gift solicitation. In addition, she oversaw the public outreach pro-

gram, with over two hundred volunteers, as well as public relations matters encompassing all local and national press.

Prior to her position at the Manhattan Guild, Ms. Wright spent eight years as a staff member in the U.S. Senate in Washington D.C. She was a Special Assistant to U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater and later on became a Senior Advisor to U.S. Senator John Warner, where she refined her expertise regarding public policy issues and legislative matters, as well as public relations and speechwriting.

Ms. Wright has a Masters Degree in International Relations from Georgetown University and participated in doctoral level studies at New York University. She attended graduate school at the University of London, England, and spent two years in France at L'Universite Catholique de Lille. She resides in New York City with her family. She and her husband are avid collectors of American historical and political memorabilia and medals.

**Caroline Hightower, former Director of Planning and Programs** on a part-time basis for the past eighteen months, finished her planning responsibilities at the end of

September. While at the ANS, she worked with the staff and Council to complete a five-year plan; obtained an Institute for Museum and Library Services grant from the American Association of Museums to advance ANS accountability and service to the public. This was a first step in regaining AAM accreditation. Ms. Hightower oversaw the process of completing the self-study with Council members and staff. The assessment process by museum professionals on audience and membership development will take place after the ANS is established in its new facility.

Ms. Hightower prepared a development plan and a case statement for the Capital Campaign, established an effective mid-year giving campaign, and wrote a number of grant proposals. She coordinated the development of the first ANS Advisory Committee as a vehicle for membership participation and developed a comprehensive questionnaire to increase the effectiveness of ANS programs. Over the past year, she edited and wrote numerous articles for the *ANS Newsletter*. She will continue her work as an institutional consultant in New York.

## Numismatic Literature: Back on Track

The ANS is pleased to announce that after an unavoidable hiatus over the summer, *Numismatic Literature* is very much back on track. The online version, viewable at [www.amnumsoc.org/numlit](http://www.amnumsoc.org/numlit), is currently updated almost every day and the print version of *Numismatic Literature* No. 144 (2001) should be available to subscribers by the end of the year.

At the present time we would like to invite all readers to submit entries when they come across new material that is not included on the website. Submissions can be made by contacting the appropriate Regional Editor, the traditional backbone of *Numismatic Literature*, or by sending them directly to the International Editor, Oliver Hoover, who can be reached by e-mail at [numlit@hotmail.com](mailto:numlit@hotmail.com). Electronic submissions are preferred because of the speed with which they can be added to the database, but hard copy submissions may also be mailed to the American

Numismatic Society.

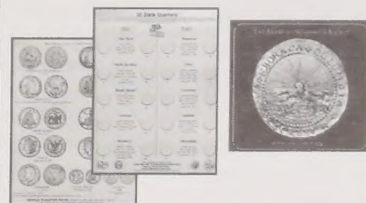
Although we are interested in all material in order to increase the comprehensiveness and utility of the bibliography, we are particularly interested in increasing the number of entries describing works written in non-Western European languages. For example, the many Slavic language journals and books devoted to numismatics are not nearly as well represented in the bibliography, as they should be. Likewise, we have very little material from works written in Central and East Asian languages. We would very much like to see this situation change in the future, but this can only be done with your help. Please consider supporting the further development of *Numismatic Literature* with your entry submissions.

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## ANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTED

President Donald Partrick has appointed seven members to the first ANS Advisory Committee from a list of candidates vetted by the Governance Committee to reflect the diverse interests of the ANS membership. The committee will act as a sounding board to the Council and President; serve as a liaison with ANS membership; and assist the Council, President, and Executive Director in evaluating the performance of the ANS as an organization. The Governance Committee advised that seven members would be large enough to ensure diversity and small enough to ensure intergroup communication, avoid diffusion of responsibility, and limit administrative burdens on ANS staff.

ANS Advisory Committee members are: **Gerald J. Brauer**, executive director of the Ellwood House Museum, former Regional Director of the congress of Illinois Historical Societies and Museums; **Catherine Bullowa-Moore**, owner of Coinhunter, a Philadelphia firm specializing in ancient, foreign, U.S. coins, and numismatic books, is a numismatic appraiser, dealer, and advisor; **Charlie Karukstis**, an executive with Bank of America for twenty years, now actively involved in numismatic research and the North American secretary of the Oriental Numismatic Society; **Robert D. Leonard Jr.**, formerly a senior executive with the Andrew Corporation and AT&T, is the author of numerous published numismatic articles and a contributor to seventeen numismatic volumes; **Douglass F. Rohrman**, a partner at Lord, Bissell & Brook, a law firm in Chicago, specializing in the governance of non-profit groups, is a student and collector of Roman coins, in particular the Antonines; **Stuart D. Sears**, an Assistant Professor of Islamic History at the American University in Cairo, authored over a dozen articles in refereed journals and organized the ANS conference on the Heritage of Sasanian Iran this June; **Lawrence Stack**, a key figure in Stack's Rare Coins since 1973 has formed major collections of French Ecus, Five-Franc pieces, Ecus d'Or, Celtic, and Anglo-Saxon coins, has a lifelong interest in English hammered coinage, and is a serious student of U.S. Colonial coins, U.S. gold, and type coinage.

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## HENRY GRUNTHAL, (1905 - 2001)

Henry Grunthal, former ANS Curator of European and Modern Coins, died on September 8 in Riverdale, NY. Born in 1905 in Cologne (Germany), Grunthal grew up in Berlin where his father, Hugo Grunthal, was the owner of the well-known coin business of Robert Ball Nachfolger. He attended the Herder Gymnasium and, in 1924, matriculated at the Friedrich Wilhelm University in Berlin. His first introduction to academic numismatics was in classes given by Kurt Regling, the Director of the Berlin Coin Cabinet. As with many other German students, Grunthal switched universities almost every year. In 1927, he went to Paris to study for a year at the Sorbonne. On his return to Germany, he took up a position at the coin cabinet in Gotha, a town in Thuringia, while studying at the nearby University of Jena. Grunthal eventually joined his father's business where he got a good first-hand knowledge of the coin business. Under the Nazi regime, Jewish businesses were systematically suppressed. Grunthal, whose father was Jewish, was fortunate to have an American sponsor for a visa to emigrate to the United States. He left Germany via Holland in 1938 and arrived in New York in May of that year.

Without much knowledge of English and just one friend, Grunthal found a job at Stack's cataloguing coins. During his time in New York, he got to know many of the ANS curators, including Edward T. Newell and William Clark. In 1941, he set up his own business and, in 1953, he was offered to join the staff of the ANS, where he would spend the next twenty years. During Grunthal's time at the ANS, the European collections were greatly enhanced. He published articles and books on European and medieval coins, but his main activities at the ANS evolved to building the ANS collections and those of its members by helping with identifications and appraisals. He was active in the Bronx Coin Club and the New York Numismatic Club, for both of which he served as President.



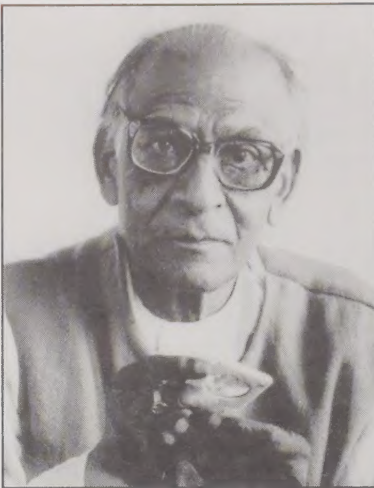
## PARMESHWARI LAL GUPTA, (1914 - 2001)

Dr. Parmeshwari Lal Gupta, recipient of the Archer M. Huntington Award in 1987, died in Bombay at the age of 87 in July. Dr. Gupta, a renowned scholar of Indian numismatics, history, and archaeology, had a richly varied career. A journalist for fifteen years and a political activist, he established a public library and a primary school for girls in the town of Azamgarh that eventually evolved into a degree-granting college for young women.

Dr. Gupta worked as an assistant curator in Bharat Kalabhavan, Varanasi, from 1950 to 1954 and as a numismatist in the Prince of Wales Museum until 1962 when he went on deputation to the British Museum for a year. From 1963 to 1972 he worked as Curator (Director) of the Patna Museum, Patna. After retirement, he settled in Nashik where he established the Indian Institute of Research in Numismatic Studies. Housing his considerable collection of books and numismatic photographs, it is the only institution of its kind in Asia.

Over his long career, Dr. Gupta wrote thirty-two books and monographs and over two hundred and fifty research papers. He was a definitive scholar of India's most ancient coins, known as punch-marked coins. His book *Coins* in the series *India Land and People* is a detailed and accessible account of the coinage of India. His last book, *Paper Money of India*, is the first book on this subject.

Dr. Gupta was the recipient of numerous awards. The Numismatic Society of India honored him with its Chakravikrama Medal and the Nelson Wright Medal and elected him Honorary Fellow; The Royal Numismatic Society elected him an Honorary Fellow and Medalist; and The Asiatic Society of Calcutta awarded him the Sir Jodunath Sarkar Gold medal in recognition of his researches in Medieval Indian Numismatics. In 1986, Dr. Gupta became an Honorary member of the International Numismatic Commission and, in 1987, he received the Archer M. Huntington Medal from the American Numismatic Society. In 1993, he was elected Honorary Fellow of the Asiatic Society of Bombay.



## JOHN DAVENPORT, (1907 - 2001)

John Davenport, the 1999 recipient of the Huntington Award for outstanding achievement in numismatic scholarship died on June 14 in Florida. A Fellow of the Society since 1965 and a numismatic scholar, he was a frequent visitor to the ANS library. He was well-known for his many works on thalers and related coinages—a series of over two dozen books that he began publishing in 1947, many of which were exhibited at the ANS for the Huntington ceremonies.

A professor of English at Knox College, he never professed to being a scholar but his books are fundamental to students of the coinage they survey. Frank Campbell, ANS Librarian, commented, During the 1960s and 70s, while he was

preparing many of the catalogs that would become the standard references on thaler coins, John Davenport was a regular visitor to the ANS library. When his teaching commitments would permit, John made the trip to New York and set about his research with the assistance of Richard P. Breaden and Geoffrey H. North, the Society's librarians during that period. I remember John as being a true gentleman, a very natty dresser and a great conversationalist. After retiring and moving to Florida, he kept in touch via the mail when he needed materials for his research. His articles and books, of which the library has cataloged approximately one hundred and thirty, will serve as a permanent memorial to this most diligent scholar.

## Paul Z. Bedoukian, (1912 - 2001)

Dr. Paul Zareh Bedoukian passed away at the age of 89 on June 29. He was the world's foremost expert on ancient Armenian numismatics—a true collector and leading scholar in a field he tillied indefatigably for more than fifty years.

He was born in Sebastia (Sivas, now in Turkey) in 1912. He and members of his family were among over a million Armenians who were killed or deported from their homes in the genocide of 1915. Forced to leave his boyhood home and march for hundreds of miles to the Syrian Desert, Paul lost several relatives, including his father.

He settled in Canada with his mother and brother, where he earned a Ph.D. in organic chemistry at McGill University in 1942. Armed with training in science, Paul moved to the United States, where he became an international authority in the chemistry of perfumes and flavors. He formed Bedoukian Research, Inc., one of the most prominent organizations in this specialty. His first love, however, was the collection and study of Armenian coins and antiquities.

Through Bedoukian's efforts, Armenian coinage and its associated history became known to the worldwide numismatic fraternity. His principal lasting contributions are his more than a dozen books and hundred-plus scholarly studies on various aspects of early numismatics. Two of Bedoukian's most important contributions to numismatic science are the books *Coinage of Cilician Armenia* (1962 and revised in 1979) and *Coinage of the Artaxiads of Armenia* (1978).

His collecting activities resulted in the preservation of literally thousands of coins and unique artifacts of the Armenian cultural heritage that might otherwise have been lost. Over a period of four decades, he generously donated these items to various museums in the United States, Europe, the Middle East, and Armenia.

Paul was gracious in helping younger collectors. I had the honor of meeting him and I will be eternally grateful for his friendship, generous encouragement, and assistance. Memorial contributions may be forwarded to the Armenian Library and Museum of America (65 Main St., Watertown, MA 02472).



## SUCCESSFUL 2001 SUMMER SEMINAR



From left to right: (front) Sebastian Heath, Ute Wartenberg; (back) James Woolard, Emily Mackil, Debra Nousek, Karen Haegmans, museum intern Jason Sanchez, Emily Elliot, Sean O'Neill, Michael Bates, David Hollenberg, Elena Stolyarik, Kenneth Harl, Oliver Hoover.

Prof. Kenneth W. Harl, who directed the ANS Summer Seminar, states that it was a resounding success. The seven students, who worked with Prof. Harl from June 18 to July 27, were from Tulane University, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium, Oxford University, Princeton University, the University of Cincinnati, and Rutgers University.

Kenneth Harl, commenting on the nature of this year's summer seminar, said, "It may sound trite, but it's true—the students were all extremely likeable people, and it doesn't always happen that way. The seminar was half the usual size and it worked to our advantage. We were able to get a lot of work done, and I enjoyed it thoroughly despite an accelerated work schedule (six weeks instead of nine). Many students arrived with specific theories, and were interested to see whether what they could learn from coins would advance these theories. Many gained insights that caused them to rethink literary sources."

The students discovered that they already had a variety of connections, from

Tulane to Turkey. They quickly developed camaraderie while working together, learning basic numismatic methodology as historians, and many assume these relationships will continue through their professional careers.

For Debra Nousek, Ph.D. candidate in Classics and Roman History at Rutgers University, this was a first foray into numismatics and she found it "fascinating and extremely useful. I was accustomed to literary evidence, and was surprised that there is so much that has been unexplored by scholars. People here at the ANS were wonderful, friendly and willing to help anytime, even though they were so busy with the Fed exhibition. Despite a rigorous schedule, the students also enjoyed New York. Sean O'Neill commented that we were a tight group. We were out every Friday night, in particular at the Underground and a Turkish restaurant on Broadway—the best. We talked about everything from coins to life, in particular the work that's being done at other institutions."

## OF NOTE:

### EXHIBITIONS

*N is for Numismatics*, a new permanent exhibition featuring hundreds of coins, bartering items, and money oddities from around the world, opens in October at the Public Museum of Grand Rapids in Michigan as part of its *Collecting A to Z* series. For info: [www.grmuseum.org](http://www.grmuseum.org).

### ON THE WEB

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#### Handbook of Biblical Numismatics

Free, revised and expanded, available at <http://www.amuseum.org/book>. The original 25 chapters, published in 1976, cover from 13th century BC to coins issued by the Crusader Kingdoms 1099 - 1861 AD. Author Mel Wacks welcomes queries. Please email [numismel@aol.com](mailto:numismel@aol.com).



## ANS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

The American Numismatic Society welcomes Associate Members that were elected or reinstated by the ANS Council at its meeting on October 20, 2001.

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## THE ANS HONORS ITS LONG-TERM

The Society is pleased to announce its twenty-five, thirty, forty, and fifty-year members. It is with loyal members like these that the ANS strives to maintain its activities.

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## ANS CALENDAR

<i>November</i>	17	Arab-Byzantine Forum VII at Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, D.C. at 10:00 AM.
<i>January</i>	1	New Year s Day (ANS Closed)
	21	Martin Luther King s Birthday (ANS Closed)
<i>February</i>	9	(Public Invited) Saltus Award Meeting, including the Stephen K. Scher Lecture. Presentation of the Saltus Award Medal for 2001 for Signal Achievement in the Art of the Medal. 3:00 PM.
	18	Washington s Birthday (ANS Closed)
<i>March</i>	7-9	ANA Money Show, Jacksonville, Florida

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